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Real Life News & Notes *Patterson Road church of Christ*

A Relevant, Serving, Growing Family of Jesus followers

Our Gathering Today!



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Elder of Month

Rick Wilkins

Welcome Guests!

Thank you for being with us this morning! May you be blessed and encouraged by our simple Christ centered gathering as we sing, pray, commune and open the Word of God together as a family of believers. (We usually dismiss by about 11:30.) **Please let us know how we might serve you. We hope you will choose to come back next Sunday and allow us to get to know you better.**

If you would like to know more about us feel free to ask or go to grandjunctionchurch.org and click on the "About" tab and then "What we believe."

"I will always remind you of these things..."

7PM: Starting **this Wednesday night April 6** we will move back to a 7PM start for the warmer, brighter months ahead. The ending class bell will ring at **7:45**. If you are teaching class and you are not done by 7:45 feel free to continue until 8PM while others visit.

Roy Karo will take over facilitating the auditorium class this week. We are watching Ray VanderLaan's very good video series on **"That the World May Know."** Join us at **7pm!**

Picnic in the PIT: Mark your Calendar for **Sunday May 29th**. We will have our annual church picnic together right after morning services in our own back yard! More info on this next month...

Feeding on the Word!

After our Easter interlude sermon last week we return to our study on **"Adding to our faith..."** Peter moves us from *self-control* to **"perseverance and godliness"** as the next progression in our spiritual growth. See you in 2 Peter 1 in a few minutes!

"Love One Another!"

Memory Verse For April: Isa. 40:29

"He gives strength to the weary"

"I have come to call not those who think they are righteous, but those who know they are sinners and need to repent" -Luke 5:32

A true friendship is a treasure. It's important for our students to develop healthy friendships with other Christian teenagers, but they also need friends who haven't yet begun a relationship with Jesus. It's important to challenge students to pray for God to open opportunities for their friends to hear about Jesus. Our teenagers can ask God to open their friends' hearts and provide the boldness to talk about Jesus and his love for them when the time is right. One role model is Paul, who asked Christians in Ephesus to pray for God to open the right opportunity and the right timing to share Jesus' message.

So, how can teenagers let their friends know they desperately want them to meet Jesus—without it being awkward? Matthew—one of Jesus' first disciples in the New Testament—is a great example of someone who understood this idea and created an opportunity to introduce his friends to Jesus.

You never know when God will answer your prayers and your friend will be open to hearing more about Jesus. We must be prepared to explain the essentials about Jesus. We need to be able to communicate God's story and basic Scripture that can lead someone to a personal relationship with Christ. We don't have to have all the answers (no one does, anyhow), but we do have a responsibility to share the good news.

One of the great things about following Jesus is that you can have a spiritually focused conversation anywhere, at anytime, with anyone. It could happen during lunch with a classmate whose parents just got divorced. It could happen after a practice with that teammate or bandmate who's struggling with issues. Because it can happen anywhere, we need to be prepared.

God calls every Christian to tell others about Jesus—and our friends are often receptive to hearing the good news from us.

Teenagers have opportunities to share the message of God's love with friends and peers, people who may not be receptive to hearing that message from adults.

Students should be encouraged to pray for opportunities to have spiritually focused conversations and to talk to their friends about Jesus.

God Bless,
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Important Notices

Next Sunday (April 10), we will have a special contribution to help cover losses and injuries suffered by Scott & Lisa Harris due to a break-in and robbery of their home in Mozambique. This collection will be separate from our regular contribution. If you wish to contribute, make your check out to the church of Christ of GJ and in the memo section write *Mozambique Emergency Fund*. Thank you.

Starting this coming Wednesday (April 6), the evening classes will go back to meeting at 7:00 PM. Classes have been shortened to 45 minutes. Roy Karo will be conducting the class and he will continue the Vanderlaan video material.

Tomorrow evening is our turn to prepare and serve the meal at the homeless shelter on North Ave. Lasagna trays will be distributed in the foyer right after this morning's assembly and servers should be at the shelter tomorrow by 4:30 PM.

Franklin Baby Shower

Ladies, mark your calendar and plan to join us here at the building on April 16th at 2 PM for a baby shower for Maria Franklin, Audric's wife. She is registered at Target. If you would like to help, see Ann Clayton. Bring finger foods to share.

Baby Dedication

****Sunday May 8th (Mother's Day) will be our annual Baby dedication** when we pray over and ask God to protect and guide our children as they grow in the "nurture and admonition of the Lord." **Parents with new babies** in the last year or so please plan to participate. **Bree Yeager** is the point of contact for this event. Thanks Bree!

TBS Luncheon for Widows & Widowers

Widows and Widowers are invited to the annual luncheon on April 14 in the fellowship hall (W Day). Sign-up sheets will be available in foyer and if you need a ride contact Sharon Riddle. Program begins at 11:30 AM with lunch following.

Room Mate Needed

Rick & Nina Martinez are looking for someone (prefer female) to share a house with their daughter. If anyone is wanting information they can reach Rick at 970-433-5958 or Nina 970-201-3066.

Please keep the following requests for prayer in your daily prayers. It is important and makes a big difference. Thank you on behalf of all those you pray for!!

Please pray for the following requests we have received. Your prayers are always so important to God and to those for whom you pray. Thank you for your intercession to God on behalf of others .

Pray for Kay Phillips, Paula Dixon's sister, she is in ICU and very ill. Pray for her comfort and healing, for the medical staff caring for her and for peace for her family.

Prayers of thanksgiving for prayers answered for Alyssa Lucero. The diagnosis was not NCL. Praise God. Her parents are rejoicing. Her eyes had no deterioration, just a cataract to watch. God is good!

Continued prayers for:
Gordon Franklin, diagnosed with lung cancer.
Verlyn Mathews, who suffered a broken hip...he can use prayers, calls, cards and visits.
The Harris family as Scott, Lisa and Mariah recover from the trauma of a home invasion and robbery. For physical and emotional recovery.
Betsey Brown as she struggles with vision problems and other health issues.
Genie Deister whose health is failing. Pray for her comfort and peace and for her family as they care for her.

Pray for the physical and emotional recovery of the 300 or so young boys and 266 or so young girls rescued from the sex slavery recently. Pray they will be able to regain some kind of peace in their lives after the horrid treatment they have endured.

YOUTH NEWS

Huddles

April Huddles will be April 3rd at the Nortons 2930 Highway 50, Grand Junction CO 81503. **Students are asked bring chips**

April 17th at the Tinkles, 298 28 1/2 Road Grand Junction, CO 81503. Huddles are from 6 to 8 PM.

Senior Sunday

May 1st
A special evening to honor our graduating Seniors. This year we will be Matt Bruens, Chrystina DeLancey, Kelsay Heath, Colton Mahoney and Liberty Wethington.

MIDDLE SCHOOL MADNESS

April 8th-10th Cost \$75

A special event just for middle school students in early spring. Join youth from around Colorado at a retreat designed for students in grades 6-8. The weekend is filled with activities, speakers, and worship! Please fill out and turn in your registration form by March 3rd. Each year a new theme inspires and encourages students in their relationships and faith. **We would like one adult sponsor to go to this trip. Please talk with Matt Lee if you are interested. Please RSVP today if you would like to attend.**

**God Bless
Matt Lee**



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For the Record

March 27, 2016

Attendance	329
Weekly Contributions 3/27/16	\$3,811.00
Contribution 4 week average	\$6,197.00
Weekly Budget	\$6,100.00

Communion Preparation—April

Richard & Peg Sisco

Communion Table 4/3/16

Eddie Tinkle

Upcoming Children's Bible Verses

May—Col. 1:15
June—Col. 1:17

Honored to Serve the Lord's Table in April

Mike Bricker
Lynn Briggs
Dave Bussert
Tony Clayton
Shawn Collazo
Tom Deister
Josh DeLancey
Lonnie DeLancey

Announcements

April— Joel Trumbo

Sunday Morning Adult Classes—9:00 AM—9:45 AM

Dane Jennings—Auditorium
Ron Wilson—103
Young Adult (Under 30)—Room 207

Sunday Morning Children's Classes

Cradle Roll—Birth to 2—Nursery
2 & 3 Year Old—104
Pre KK, Kindergarten—205
1st & 2nd Grade—209
3rd thru 5th Grade—208
Middle School—213
High School—203

Wednesday Evening Bible Classes 7—8 PM

Roy Karo—Auditorium
Singing Class—103

Wednesday Evening Children's Bible Study

2 & 4 yr. old—104
Kindergarten 1st & 2nd—205
3rd thru 5th Grade—208
All teens meet in—203

Thursday Morning Bible Classes

Thursday Bible School for Pre-Schoolers—9:30 am—1 pm
Ladies Bible Class, starts 9:30 am—207

Sunday Morning Bible Classes Begin at 9 AM
Sunday Morning Fellowship Time 9:45 AM—10:15 AM
Sunday Morning Assembly Begins at 10:15 AM
Wednesday Evening Bible Study Begins at 7 PM